

MINUTES OF SEA CLIFF VILLAGE BOARD
November 13, 2017

The meeting of the Incorporated Village of Sea Cliff was held on Monday November 13, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at Village Hall to discuss various Village matters.

Present: Edward Lieberman, Mayor
 Kevin McGilloway, Deputy Mayor
 Robin Maynard, Village Trustee
 Deborah McDermott, Village Trustee
 Brian Stolar, Village Attorney
 Marianne Lennon, Village Clerk
 Bruce Kennedy, Village Administrator

Absent: Dina Epstein, Village Trustee

Welcome to the Board Meeting of November 13, 2017

Phil Como led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance

First order of business was a Public Hearing on Bill VSC 1701: A local law to amend the Code of the Village of Sea Cliff, in relation to regulating short term use of dwelling units in all zoning districts.

The Hearing was opened to Public Comment:

- Resident asked for clarification of law and reasoning for it. In favor of law but against number of times and amount of days.
- How will law be enforced and concerned that residents will help enforce thru complaints.

Public Hearing was continued to December 11, 2017 at 7pm.

Second order of business was a Public Hearing on Bill VSC 1702: A local law to enact a temporary moratorium on the subdivision of property subject to the jurisdiction of the Village of Sea Cliff.

The Hearing was opened to Public Comment

Public Hearing was closed.

The Village Attorney advised that the law had been referred to the Nassau County Planning Commission and the Planning Commission adopted a resolution recommending local determination.

On a motion by Trustee Maynard, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGilloway and unanimously approved by those present, the Board adopted Bill VSC 1702 as Local Law No. 1, Year 2017.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor thanked Kathleen DiRiestra and Frank Ferrara for their work at "Chill Out" The Mayor also thanked Phil Como and the American Legion Post for putting together the Veteran's Day Ceremony at Clifton Park.

Our website has been updated for informational services for opiate abuse, under Schools and Services.

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Mayor Lieberman offered the following resolution for adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 53, YEAR 2017

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2018 Sea Cliff Village General election will take place on Tuesday, March 20, 2018, for the purpose of electing the following officers of the Village:

A Village Trustee for a term of two years for the Office presently held by Kevin McGilloway whose term expires April 2, 2018; and a Village Trustee for a term of two years for the Office presently held by Robin Maynard whose term expires April 2, 2018.

Seconded by Trustee Maynard and unanimously approved by those present.

Trustee Reports:

Deputy Mayor McGilloway

Deputy Mayor McGilloway reported on his liaison committees:

- Offbeat Artifact's sale will be held on Dec. 9th
- Museum's new exhibit is now opened
- The Technology Task Force has 19 volunteers and now has guest WiFi

Trustee Maynard

Trustee Maynard reported on her liaison committees:

- **Beach**- reminder to remove boats from the rack at Sea Cliff Beach by Dec. 31st, and that new 2018 beach parking permits are available at Village Hall
- **Fire Department**: Report for October 2017:
General Fire - 19
Ambulance - 21

Trustee Maynard reported that the Sea Cliff Family Fun Run will take place at the Sea Cliff Yacht Club on November 18th at 10:30pm. All proceeds will go to the Mutual Concerns.

Trustee McDermott

Trustee McDermott gave a follow up report from last month, on a residents request to have Littleworth Lane closed on weekends. Trustee McDermott reported that there were near miss cases reported on Election Day when street was opened. Trustee McDermott read a statement with regard to traffic calming measures by a municipality. Trustee McDermott then asked the Board to take two actions:

1. Close Littleworth Lane at all times
2. Do a SEQRA review

Clarifications by the Village Attorney and discussion by the Board ensued.

Trustee McDermott requested that the Board open the discussion for public comment at this time.

Public Comments:

- Residents expressed concern over their children's safety when the street was open
- Various solutions and concerns were stated:
 - Form a committee
 - Move playground

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- Deed/sell street to school
- Discontinue/abandon street
- Raised crosswalks
- Get school and Board of Education involved
- Include Fire and Police Departments
- Create pedestrian bridge
- Close street 24/7 with breakable chains
- Close street on weekends

Trustee McDermott discussed a proposed motion that needed clarification from the Village Attorney. The Village Attorney offered his understanding of statutes that the Village had limited authority regarding such closures and that he would research.

After clarification, Trustee McDermott offered the following motion: to close Littleworth Lane at all times and notify emergency agencies, from Hansen Place to Carpenter Avenue effective Nov. 14th, until such time that there is a safer plan in place, with the caveat that if the chains inhibit emergency services, the issue will be revisited and the street closure will revert back to 7am to 7pm/five days a week. Mayor Lieberman asked for a second. Absent a second, the motion failed.

On a motion by Mayor Lieberman, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, and approved three votes in favor and Trustee McDermott opposed, the Board requested that the Village Attorney to immediately correspond with the local emergency services requesting that they review whether the closure of Littleworth Lane for hours beyond the current closure, including a potential closure at all times, may impact or inhibit their ability to provide required services and that such request should seek a response in sufficient time to permit the Board to again address this issue at its next scheduled meeting or at a special meeting if responses are provided within a timeframe that would permit such a special meeting.

Trustee McDermott reported on her liaison committees:

- **Youth Board** – 8 people have signed up for advisory groups
- **Coalition Against Substance Abuse** – valuable information at first meeting

Village Administrator

On a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee Maynard and unanimously approved by those present, the following tax certiorari cases were settled for a total amount of \$14,300.00.

- 59 Roslyn Avenue, \$2,300 settlement and no change to current assessed value
- 95-101 Maple Avenue, \$2,500 settlement and no change to current assessed value
- 243 Glen Avenue, \$2,500 settlement and no change to current assessed value
- 42 Central Avenue, \$7,000 settlement and no change to current assessed value

Public Comment:

On a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee Maynard and unanimously approved by those present, the Board went into Executive Session at 10:36pm for legal advice.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee McDermott and unanimously approved by those present, the Board came out of Executive Session at 10:40pm.

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On a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee McDermott and unanimously approved by those present, the Board approved an expenditure of \$49,000.00 in relation to appellate printing services for the Garvies Point appeal.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee McDermott and unanimously approved by those present, the meeting adjourned at 10:42pm.

Marianne Lennon
Village Clerk